

SUNLIGHT AT NIGHT.

What a Prominent Resident of Xenia Says About Acetylene Gas—Lots of Light—Little Expense.

From the Xenia (O.) Daily Gazette, April 13. Mr. L. M. Garfield, well known in this city as the superintendent of the Miami Powder Works, was recently interviewed by a Gazette representative, regarding his personal experience with the new illuminant, known to the commercial world as Acetylene Gas. Mr. Garfield said:

"I installed a ten light acetylene generator in the cellar of my residence, 428 North Galloway street, about two years ago, and I have used it for illuminating my home every night since. I have certainly given it a thorough test during that length of time, and know its advantages. While the machine is supposed to develop sufficient gas for but ten lights, I have often used as many as fifteen lights at once with perfect success. The light it gives is brilliant and white, and the nearest approach to sunlight of anything yet produced for artificial lighting."

"What about the expense, Mr. Garfield?"

"I have paid about four dollars a hundred pounds for the calcium carbide which is used in the generator to make the gas, and use something less than seven hundred pounds a year. Approximately the total cost per year has been about twenty-seven dollars, as the carbide is the only expense. It is the perfection of light at little cost and trifling labor, free from odor or anything objectionable. I have nothing but praise for the generator and the light it develops, and I am not speaking theoretically, but from my actual experience in my own residence."

In this connection, the 1899 report to the Governor of the State, of Mr. A. W. Stiles, secretary of the Girls' Industrial Home, at Rathbone, O., regarding the Acetylene Gas plant in use at that institution, will be of interest to our readers.

Mr. Stiles says: "Our Acetylene Gas plant has given very gratifying results during the past year, the light from it being a very steady, white light, without smoke, by far superior and more satisfactory than that furnished by the old system used here. We now have about 600 burners, which can be increased, with but a very small outlay, to five times that number. We have had no trouble in getting all the carbide we need. Including all expenses incurred in remodeling and changing the (gas) plant to the present system, our lights have not cost us nearly so much for the year as did the system abandoned in July, 1898. There is no more danger in using it than there is in the use of any gas. We think it is the best light known, and requires but little skill in its manufacture."

The popularity of this new illuminant is attested by the fact that in the few years since its development into a commercial possibility, over fifty thousand buildings have been successfully lighted by it, and the annual ratio of increase is becoming greater yearly. It is the ideal light for dwellings, stores, churches and every class of building where artificial light is needed, and it is little wonder that the owners of indifferently lighted buildings are looking earnestly into the subject of lighting by Acetylene Gas.

Lucid Reasoning.

"Why Do Men Gamble?" is the title of a brochure now attracting attention. A lot of men gamble because a few men win.—N. Y. Press.

Hypocrite—"Does your wife make any fuss when you bring home one of your friends to dinner without giving her previous notice?" Birdie—"Oh, no, she never makes any fuss until after my friend has gone."—Boston Transcript.

First Medical Student—"I believe in letting well enough alone." Second Medical Student—"Then you'll never make a successful doctor."—Philadelphia Record.

"Grafton has a barber who gives him a good, quick shave and never bores him with his talk." "Deaf and dumb?"—Indianapolis Sun.

FOR WOMAN'S HEALTH

Earnest Letters from Women Relieved of Pain by Mrs. Pinkham.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Before I commenced to take your medicine I was in a terrible state, wishing myself dead a good many times. Every part of my body seemed to pain in some way. At time of menstruation my suffering was something terrible. I thought there was no cure for me, but after taking several bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound all my bad feelings were gone. I am now well and enjoying good health. I shall always praise your medicine."—Mrs. AMOS PESCHER, Box 226, Romeo, Mich.

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"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I had female trouble, painful menses, and kidney complaint, almost stomach trouble. About a year ago I happened to pick up a paper that contained an advertisement of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and when I read how it had helped others, I thought it might help me, and decided to give it a trial. I did so, and as a result am now feeling perfectly well. I wish to thank you for the benefit your medicine has been to me."—Mrs. CLARA STEINER, Diller, Neb.

No More Pain

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Your Vegetable Compound has been of much benefit to me. When my menses first appeared they were very irregular. They occurred too often and did not leave for a week or more. I always suffered at these times with terrible pains in my back and abdomen. Would be in bed for several days and would not be exactly rational at times. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and menses became regular and pains left me entirely."—Mrs. E. F. CUSTER, Brule, Wis.

REVERSING THE PROCESS.

Maud Wintergreen Shows Harold Billmore How to Successfully Propose to a Young Woman.

"Harold Billmore, are you asking me to be your wife?"
"I think what I have been saying to you is fairly open to that interpretation, Maud Wintergreen. Didn't I do it right?"

She tapped her foot on the floor impatiently.
"No, sir."

"Where did I miss it?" he asked, humbly.

"Everywhere. You seemed to be hedging. You tried to shoot so as to hit if I were a deer and to miss if I should prove to be—"

"Oh, but you are a dear, you know."

"Don't interrupt me, sir. When you propose to a woman, propose to her. I've a great mind to show you how it ought to be done."

"I wish you would take the whole business off my hands, Maud. I'm no good at it, and I'll promise to say the right word when you've—"

"Don't be a coward as well as a bungler, young man. Listen, now. I am the love-stricken youth—"

"All right. You're Harold Billmore."

"Not at all. This is a purely impersonal affair. You are the coy maiden."

"Yes, I'm Maud Wintergreen. Go on."

"Don't be any sillier than you are naturally. Desiring to enthrone myself in the heart of a young woman I first—"

"That sounds too much like giving a newly initiated candidate in a secret society the proper directions for entering a lodgeroom. But go on."

"If you interrupt me again with any remarks like that, Mr. Billmore, this lesson will come to an end. Begin by—no, sir, sit a little farther away. You are acting entirely out of character."

"So I was. I humbly beg your pardon. I forgot. Go on."

"If you want to marry a girl and tell her so in a manly way. Don't you suppose, if she has any gumption, she has found out your little secret long before you have made up your mind to speak?"

"Then you have known all the time Maud, that I—"

"Once again, sir, keep your distance and let me do the talking."

"Then tell me just what I ought to have said, Maud—that's a dear girl."

"Well, remember, now, I am supposed to be a young man making a declaration of love to a young woman. I say to her: 'Lucy,' or 'Mehitabel,' as the case may be—"

"No, no! You say to her: 'Maud.' I insist on that."

"Let it be Maud, then, if it will keep you quiet. But this is only a supposition case, just the same. I don't say to her: 'Maud, do you believe in love at first sight?' or 'Maud, do you think you would marry the right fellow if he ever came along?' Nor do I put my arm on the back of her chair as if by accident."

"I didn't know I was doing that, Maud—"

"Take your arm away from the back of this chair, sir. Neither do I hem and haw—"

"O, but I didn't do that! I may have gasped a little, but what could you expect from a fellow—"

"I think I could stand up squarely before her, like a man, as I am doing now—sit down, sir! You are the listener in this conversation—and I should look her straight in the eye, like a man, and say to her: 'Lucy.'"

"No, no! 'Maud!'"

"'Maud,' then, for the sake of the illustration. 'Maud, I love you'—sit down!"

"But how would that sound? 'Maud, I love you! Sit down!'"

"I should say: 'Maud, I love you! Will you be my wife?'"

"Maud, I love you! Will you be my wife?"

"Yes, that is what I should say, sir, if I wanted a girl to marry me."

The young man bounded to his feet.

"Very good," he said. "That is what you would say if you were Harold Billmore! Now listen to me!"

"But I protest—"

"Stand right there! Don't sit down! I'm doing the talking. You, speaking for Harold Billmore, have said you loved me, and have asked me to be your wife. I, speaking for Maud Wintergreen—"

"That isn't fair, now. I told you—"

"I know what you told me—as the young man. Now I'm acting as the girl. For all practical purposes I am Maud Wintergreen. I would like to say to that awkward youth: 'Harold, I have known for a long time that you loved me. Do you think I would have accepted your attentions month after month if I did not intend at last—'"

"You have no right to say anything like that. Is a girl supposed to take it for granted?"

"Don't interrupt me. I have not finished my answer yet. 'Harold,' I reply, 'you are a good and worthy young man. You may not know exactly how to make a proposal of marriage, but in the most approved form, on account of a lack of previous practice, but your heart is right. Here is my answer—I will whisper it in your ear: 'Yes, Harold, I will be your wife!'"

Then of a sudden, says the Chicago Tribune, there was a lightning change of characters, and Harold Billmore was the young man again.

His arm stole around her waist, her head slowly sank on his shoulder, he bent his head downward, and—
P! P—!!

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"Then, count," came the cruel answer of Miss Leigh, "you'll have to look a little further. Your affection doesn't appeal to me."

For she had a mirror that had told her a few things about her beauty.

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What, indeed?—Baltimore American.

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As we travel the path of life, we always find that the traveler who has the best side of the road.—Town Topics.

THE MARKETS.

Cincinnati, April 25.	
CATTLE—Common	\$3.90 @ 4.45
Select butchers	4.85 @ 4.90
CALVES—Extras	6.25 @ 6.35
HOGS—Select packers	5.40 @ 5.45
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SHEEP—Choice	4.50 @ 4.75
LAMBS—Extra	6.50 @ 9.00
FLOUR—Spring pat.	3.65 @ 3.90
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	70.25 @ 71.25
CORN—No. 2 mixed.	41 @ 41 1/2
OATS—No. 2 mixed.	@ 26
RYE—No. 2	@ 62 1/2
HAY—Choice timothy	14 75 @ 15.00
MESS PORK	@ 13 17 1/2
LARD	@ 7 07 1/2
BUTTER—Ch. dairy.	12 @ 14
Choice creamery	@ 20
APPLES—Ch. to fancy	1.25 @ 1.50
POTATOES—Per bu.	1.10 @ 1.50
TOBACCO—New	3.10 @ 15.75
Old	3.10 @ 15.00

CHICAGO.	
FLOUR—Win. patent.	3.60 @ 3.70
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	69 @ 70 1/2
No. 3 spring.	63 1/2 @ 64 1/2
CORN—No. 2	39 3/4 @ 39 3/4
OATS—No. 2	24 1/4 @ 24 1/4
RYE—No. 2	@ 54
PORK—Mess	11 75 @ 12.80
LARD—Steam	7.05 @ 7.20

NEW YORK.	
FLOUR—Win. patent.	3.70 @ 3.90
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	@ 79 3/4
CORN—No. 2 mixed.	@ 48 1/4
OATS—No. 2 mixed.	@ 28 1/4
RYE	@ 62
PORK—Mess	14.25 @ 15.00
LARD—Steam	@ 7.60

BALTIMORE.	
FLOUR—Win. patent.	3.65 @ 3.85
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	66 1/2 @ 66 3/4
Southern	68 @ 72 1/2
CORN—No. 2 mixed.	43 1/4 @ 43 1/2
OATS—No. 2 mixed.	@ 28
CATTLE—First qual.	4.75 @ 5.15
HOGS—Western	6.10 @ 6.15

INDIANAPOLIS.	
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	@ 71
CORN—No. 2 mixed.	@ 39 1/2
OATS—No. 2 mixed.	@ 26

LOUISVILLE.	
FLOUR—Win. patent.	4.25 @ 4.50
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	72 @ 73
CORN—Mixed	@ 42 1/2
OATS—Mixed	@ 27
PORK—Mess	@ 13.50
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